

REMARKS**Response to Election/Restrictions**

The Examiner has set forth a restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

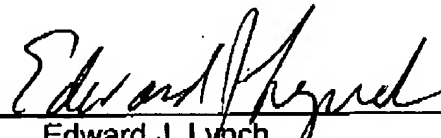
- I. Claims 1-45, 51-65 and 69 are drawn to an apparatus for accessing and collecting a tissue specimen from a target site within a body of a patient during a biopsy procedure, classified in class 600, subclass 564.
- II. Claims 46-50, 66-68 and 70 are drawn to methods for separating and collecting a biopsy tissue specimen from supporting tissue at a target site within a body of a patient, classified in class 600, subclass 564.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute claims 1-45, 51-65 and 69 drawn to an apparatus and new claims 71-95. Claims 46-50, 66-68 and 70 have been withdrawn from consideration. Additionally, applicants elect the species of Figs. 19-22. Claims 52-62 and new claims 71-95 read on the elected species.

Applicants believe that the elected claims are directed to patentable subject matter. Favorable initial consideration is requested and an early allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicants request that the Patent Office update their records with the undersigned's current contact numbers (telephone numbers) as follows below.

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